

Forest Land- Dhule

Re-diversion of forest land 0.8991 ha. for Laying Underground Optical Fiber Cable along with the road in ROW of NH-52 from Songir to Sondale and Dahiwad - Sanghvi - Palasner to MH/MP State Border in Dhule, Sindkheda and Shirpur Tehsil of Dist. Dhule in State of Maharashtra.

**Government of Maharashtra
Revenue and Forest Department
Government Order No.: FLD-1625/CR.48/F-10
Mantralaya, Mumbai-400 032
Date:- 22.05.2025**

Reference:-

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, MS, Nagpur
Letter No. Desk-17/FCA-S1/PID-518215/Dhule/25-26/2677, dt.28.02.2025.

Preamble:-

Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, MS, Nagpur has submitted a proposal for Re-diversion of forest land 0.8991 ha. for Laying Underground Optical Fiber Cable along with the road in ROW of NH-52 from Songir to Sondale and Dahiwad - Sanghvi -Palasner to MH/MP State Border in Dhule, Sindkheda and Shirpur Tehsil of Dist. Dhule in State of Maharashtra.

Order:-

In exercise of powers under general approval given by MoEF&CC, Govt. of India vide Handbook of FCA Guidelines-2023, Chapter 4 (para-4.2), Government of Maharashtra is pleased to grant '**In-principle**' approval to the Re-diversion of forest land 0.8991 ha. for Laying Underground Optical Fiber Cable along with the road in ROW of NH-52 from Songir to Sondale and Dahiwad - Sanghvi -Palasner to MH/MP State Border in Dhule, Sindkheda and Shirpur Tehsil of Dist. Dhule in State of Maharashtra.

The details of Forest Land proposed for diversion are as under:-

Sr. No	District	Taluka	Village	Compt. No.	Forest Land				
					Survey No.	L x W (in Mtr)	Area (Sq. mtr.)	Area (in Ha.)	Legal Status
1	Dhule	Dhule	Songir	-	38/1	667 x 0.5	333.5	0.03335	RF
					42	401 x 0.5	200.5	0.02005	
2		Sindkhede	Babhade	-	110/1/A	269 x 0.5	134.5	0.01345	
					111/1	363 x 0.5	181.5	0.01815	
					137/1	535 x 0.5	267.5	0.02675	
3		Shirpur	Dahivad	986	628	500 x 0.5	250.0	0.0250	
Natwade			984	21/1	407 x 0.5	203.5	0.02035		
			983	13	1120 x 0.5	560.0	0.0560		
			982		1136 x 0.5	568.0	0.0568		
7			Sule	967	30/1	1584 x 0.5	792.0	0.0792	

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8				952	-	1692 x 0.5	846.0	0.0846	
9				951	-	87.8 x 0.5	43.9	0.00439	
10				950	-	942 x 0.5	471.0	0.0471	
11				948	-	1357 x 0.5	678.5	0.06785	
12				787	-	134 x 0.5	67.0	0.0067	
13			Reserve Forest	811	-	1290.2 x 0.5	645.1	0.06451	
14				783	-	79.8 x 0.5	39.9	0.00399	
15				786		2373 x 0.5	1186.5	0.11865	
16				755		1263 x 0.5	631.5	0.06315	
17				754		1783 x 0.5	891.5	0.08915	
			Total			17983.8	8991.90	0.8991	

2. This 'In-principle' approval is issued subject to the following conditions:-

- 1) The legal status of the land shall remain unchanged.
- 2) User Agency shall obtain Wildlife Clearance, prior to commencement of work.
- 3) User Agency shall submit the Record of Rights of proposed land, at Compartment No. 952,951,950,948,787,811,783,786,755,754 along with Stage-I compliance.
- 4) User Agency shall defray the cost of plantation (including ten years maintenance) of 100 tree shall be levied from the User Agency towards Compensatory Afforestation. As far as possible, a mixture of local indigenous species along with 10% RET species of Pune District shall be planted and monoculture of any species may be avoided. Details of land proposed for Plantation (Record of Rights & KML File), shall be submitted before Stage-II/Final approval.
- 5) The Optical Fiber Cable Line will be laid within maximum size of the trench of 2.00 meters depth & 0.5 meter width with cable line under the OFC pipeline.
- 6) If User Agency has not submitted bank guarantee or paid security deposit with concern road authority (NHAI/MSRDC/PWD/ZP), the agency shall submit a bank guarantee at the rate of Rs.50/- per running meter and an undertaking to that effect shall also be submitted. If the agency fails to reclaim the land to the satisfaction of concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests, the cost for reclamation will be covered from the bank guarantee.
- 7) If the cable is going to be laid in the formation width of the road, then additional charges in form of bank guarantee shall be given at the rate of Rs.35/- per running meter. Similarly for reclamation of side drain and for tarred portion, the guarantee will be at the rate of Rs.300/- per meter and Rs.750/- per meter respectively. An undertaking shall be obtained from the User Agency that it has agreed to make good any loss to Forest/ Environment while laying the cable in the forest area and during maintenance of the same in future.
- 8) For further maintenance of the project, the agency shall obtain permission from the concerned Deputy Conservator of Forests as and when required.
- 9) The forest land shall not be used for any purpose other than specified in the proposal.
- 10) No felling of trees shall be done during the implementation of project.
- 11) No new forest area beyond the Right of Way of existing road should be broken for laying Optical Fiber Cable.

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- 12) The User Agency shall pay the cost of additional Net Present Value, if required in future.
- 13) No labour camp shall be established on the forest land.
- 14) After completion of the project, User Agency will reclaim the area under RoW suitably.
- 15) The layout plan of the proposal shall not be changed without prior approval of the State Government.
- 16) This sanction is subject to the final clearance by the Department of Information & Technology for the project and concerned PWD authorities for the project.
- 17) The User Agency shall compensate the private owners of forest land if any, in accordance with the prevalent laws, rules & guidelines.
- 18) The User Agency shall obtain Environmental Clearance as per the provisions of the Environment (Protection) Act, 1986, if applicable.
- 19) All other conditions as may be mandatory under relevant Acts, Rules and Guidelines shall be complied by the User Agency.
- 20) All the conditions stipulated by the Forest Department shall be binding on User Agency.
- 21) The User Agency shall make good of any loss to Forest / Environment.
- 22) All necessary approvals required for the project as per the prevailing laws of the land would be obtained by User Agency.
- 23) Any breach of the conditions by the User Agency will be treated as violation of the provisions of the Van (Sanrakshan Evam Samvardhan) Adhiniyam, 1980.

3. This Government Order is available at the Government of Maharashtra's website www.maharashtra.gov.in with reference No. 202505221751377319. This Order has been signed digitally.

By order and in the name of the Governor of Maharashtra.

(Ganesh Jadhao)

Under Secretary to the Government of Maharashtra

Copy to:-

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2. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Head of Forest Force), Maharashtra State, Nagpur.
3. Deputy Director General of Forest (Central), Regional Office, Ministry of Environment, Forests & Climate Change, Government of India, Nagpur.
4. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & Nodal Officer, M.S., Nagpur
5. Principal Chief Conservator of Forests & CEO (Maha-CAMPA), M.S., Nagpur
6. Additional Principal Chief Conservator of Forests (Conservation), M.S., Nagpur
7. Collector, Dhule.
8. Chief Executive Officer, Zilha Parishad, Dhule.
9. Chief Conservator of Forests (T), Dhule.
10. Deputy Conservator of Forests, Dhule.
11. M/s Bharti Airtel Ltd, Pune.
12. Select File (F-10)